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Galileo User Satisfaction Survey

The Galileo User Satisfaction Survey aims at collecting valuable feedback from current and potential Galileo users.

The main conclusions and outputs will feed into the European Global Navigation Satellite Systems Agency (GSA) and Galileo continuous quality improvement process, required for achieving the highest levels of use, performance, service and user support.

The survey is tailored to fit different categories of users and market segments with the objective of gathering a deeper understanding about how to better serve the European GNSS community.

[Take the Galileo survey](#)



EU Council agrees to next EU space programme and new agency in Prague

But the funding is undecided.

The EU Council announced it has approved all the details of the 2021-2027 space programme – apart from the critical detail of how big its budget will be. Once finalised, the legislation will establish a new EU Agency for the space programme, to be based in Prague. That will replace the current Global Navigational Satellite Systems agency, and bring all of the EU's space projects under one roof.

The Commission has called for the space programme to get €16 billion over seven years. However, the final amount will not be settled until member states agree on the EU's overall long-term budget for the same period. That decision isn't expected before the end of 2019, due to disagreements between national governments in the Council.

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How much do European Citizens know about Space?

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Europeans are undeniably interested in space activities, and the idea of pooling resources between European countries is considered important unanimously by European citizens: just two of the fascinating findings from a recent survey of public perceptions of issues related to space.

Carried out on behalf of ESA by Harris Interactive in December 2018, the survey questioned over 5000 people aged 18 or older and representative of the public in Europe's five most populous countries, Germany, UK, France, Spain and Italy.

The survey found that, almost unanimously, Europeans identified three main uses for space:

- better understanding the Universe
- observing our own planet, for example the effects of climate change, and
- they recognised the ability to make life on Earth easier, for example in transportation or communications.

Fewer people believed that space activities could protect us against threats from space, though almost all agreed this should be a priority. Disappointingly, only 4 out of 10 Europeans felt well informed about European space activities.

Overall though, 90% of respondents had a positive view of space activities.

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New Clips of IPR Helpdesk on Intellectual Property in H2020

IP in Horizon 2020

Short animated clip published by the European IPR Helpdesk sheds light on the importance of smart IP management in Horizon 2020, giving an overview of how the services of the European IPR Helpdesk can support researchers and SMEs involved in Horizon 2020 projects.

[Have a look](#)

IP Management in Horizon 2020

Jörg Scherer (Head of Training and Awareness Raising of the European IPR Helpdesk) and Roberto D'Erme (IP Consultant of the European IPR HD) present the IP Management in Horizon 2020, the new EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation. This clip deals with IP through the different stages of a Project, and in here you will learn how IP becomes a business tool for you and your Project.

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Webinar: IP in EU-funded Projects/Horizon 2020 27 March 2019

This webinar aims to give you a basic understanding of how to properly deal with intellectual property issues and learn about common pitfalls and IP challenges in EU-funded research and innovation initiatives (FP7/Horizon 2020).

After the training, participants should be able to answer the following main questions:

- What are the key characteristics of an EU-funded project and the different participating partners?
- Which IP aspects have to be considered in collaborative research projects?
- At which stages of the project does IP matter?
- What rules exist within Horizon 2020 and what requirements have to be met?
- What terminology is used?
- How do I define relevant background for my project?
- How do I define ownership of results?
- How do I set up a regime for granting access rights?
- What are basic IP aspects to be considered under Horizon 2020? *(Please note that additional webinars specifically addressing exploitation issues under Horizon 2020 will be offered separately)*

Registration will open 3 weeks in advance.

[More info](#)



Munich Satellite Navigation Summit

25 – 27 March 2019, Munich (DE)

The Munich Satellite Navigation Summit is an conference with global impact dealing with satellite navigation now and in the future. The one-of-a-kind convention of high-ranking worldwide speakers from industry, science and governments provides the participants with a broad overview and different perspectives on the latest developments in the field of GNSS.

Under the title "Augment Yourself with GNSS..." participants are invited to exchange the latest information on positioning, navigation and time determination and their role in augmented and mixed reality as well as other current technologies.

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Copernicus Master in Digital Earth (CDE) calls are open

Copernicus Master in Digital Earth (CDE) is a two year full-time integrated Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree (EMJMD) Programme.

The Programme is open to any applicant fulfilling academic admission requirements and additional criteria for selection.

The Erasmus+ programme of the European Union has provided scholarships to the Copernicus Master in Digital Earth Consortium, for four intakes. 13 scholarships will be available for the first intake; in total, a maximum of 30 students shall start studies starting in October 2019.

This first call for applications is open from January 2, 2019 to March 14, 2019.

[Read more](#)



EU Datathon 2019 – Competition for EU open data applications

The Publications Office of the European Union, in partnership with the Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, launched the third edition of the EU Datathon.

The challenge is to stimulate the use of the open data of the European Union offering new services or public information insights to citizens, public authorities and businesses.

The participants should use at least one dataset of the EU Institutions, Agencies and other bodies and combine it with at least one dataset of the competition's partners.

The open challenges are:

- Challenge 1: 'Innovative ideas through EU open data'
- Challenge 2: 'New insights into economics and finance'
- Challenge 3: 'Tackling climate change'

The competition is supported by the European Parliament's Preparatory Action "Linked Open Data in the European Public Administration" and the European Commission ISA² programme (Interoperability solutions for public administrations, businesses and citizen).

Submit your project description before 29 March 2019.

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Space Related Projects funded through EU programs

Hundreds of space related projects were already funded through EU FP and other related programs and there are ongoing projects as well.

In preparation of project proposals, it is important that proposed R&D activities are not overlapping with what was (or is) already funded into previous (or ongoing) research projects. Different links to the EU funded R&D projects are available, containing information about past and/or ongoing R&D projects in space domain as well as in "other areas" (due to interdisciplinary and growing horizontal nature of space research, "other areas" are becoming increasingly relevant to space research as well). In the continuation, several links, containing relevant information are provided.

1) CORDIS (EU R&D FP project results since 1990):

[Read here](#)

2) Copernicus research projects (data since 1999 available)

[Read here](#)

3) EGNSS R&D projects (H2020, FP7-FP6, EGNSS Mission & Services):

[Read here](#)

4) H2020 EIC SME projects data hub (Phase 1, Phase 2):

[Read here](#)

and other related EASME Data hubs (e.g. Fast Track to Innovation, FET open, etc.):

[Read here](#)

5) H2020 and COSME R&D projects (Funding & Tender opportunities portal)

[Read here](#)

6) EU funded R&D projects (list of databases of EU funded R&D projects)

[Read here](#)

